

Resolution No.: 15-396

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Adopted: November 18, 2003

**COUNTY COUNCIL  
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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By: County Council

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**SUBJECT:** Ten-Year Comprehensive Water Supply and Sewerage Systems Plan,  
2003-2012

**Background**

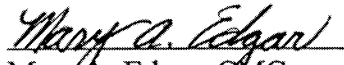
1. Section 9-501 et seq. of the Health-Environmental Article of the Maryland Code, requires the governing body of each County to adopt and submit to the State Department of the Environment a comprehensive County Plan, and on a triennial basis comprehensively review its Plan.
2. In accordance with the State law on December 30, 1969, by Resolution No. 6-2563, the County Council adopted a Comprehensive Ten-Year Water Supply and Sewerage Systems Plan which was approved by the State Department of the Environment.
3. The County Council has from time to time amended the Plan.
4. On July 23, 2003, the County Executive submitted the Council a comprehensive update to the Ten-Year Comprehensive Water Supply and Sewerage Systems Plan.
5. Recommendations on these amendments were solicited from the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission Staff, and affected municipalities.
6. A public hearing was held on September 25, 2003.
7. The Transportation and Environment Committee discussed these amendments on October 16, 2003 and October 30, 2003, and made recommendations to the Council.
8. The County Council held a worksession to consider the recommendations of the Transportation and Environment Committee. At that time, the County Council provided preliminary approval of the plan as amended.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

The County Executive's June 2003 recommended redraft of the 2003 - 2012 Ten-Year Comprehensive Water Supply and Sewerage Systems Plan is approved with the revisions indicated in the attachment to this resolution.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

  
Mary A. Edgar, CMC  
Clerk of the Council

## Approved 2003 - 2012 Water and Sewer Plan: Summary of Text Revisions

In preparing the final version of the Approved 2003 - 2012 Water and Sewer Plan, the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) made numerous revisions and updates to the June 2003 draft plan text. Many of these changes were minor in nature, including editing corrections and minor wording revisions. In addition, DEP updated several of the GIS-generated maps appearing throughout the text.

Other revisions involved Water and Sewer Plan policy issues or technical corrections raised by the County Council, DEP, and other agencies. The following table provides a summary of these revisions to the draft text:

<b>APPROVED 2003 - 2012 WATER AND SEWER PLAN</b>		
<b>Policy and Technical Revisions from the County Executive Recommended June 2003 Draft</b>		
<b>Section/Figure/Table Revised*</b>	<b>Initiated By</b>	<b>Revision</b>
<b>Executive Summary</b>		
pgs. i through v	DEP	Revised the Executive Summary, as needed, to reflect other changes in the Plan text (as identified below).
<b>Chapter 1: OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES</b>		
Section II.E.3.e.: Abutting Mains Land Use Policy Issues (pg. 1-22)	T&E Committee	Added this section and its associated Plan recommendation to address land use concerns raised by the Planning Board with regard to the lack of land use restrictions in the abutting mains policy.
Section II.E.4.b.: Community Service for Private Institutional Facilities – Facilities Located Outside the Community Service Envelopes (pg 1-23)	T&E Committee	Deleted text which excluded sites located within the RDT zone from community service consideration under the Private Institutional Facilities (PIF) policy.
Section II.E.4.e.: PIF Policy Directions – Plan Recommendation (pg 1-24)	T&E Committee	Expanded the existing Plan recommendation to urge that M-NCPPC pursue options for institutional imperviousness limits in rural and rural estate zones.
Section VI.A.1.b.: Systems Development Charge (SDC) (pg. 1-36)	WSSC	Corrected establishment date of the SDC to 1993.
Section V.: Procedures for Adopting and Amending the Water and Sewer Plan (pg. 1-39)	Councilmember Andrews	Added the third paragraph in this section, establishing a "lame duck" limitation for the Council's actions on Water and Sewer Plan amendments for a specified time prior to and following County Council elections.
Section V.D.1.: Filing Individual Service Area Category Change Requests (pg. 1-43)	T&E Committee	Added a recommendation calling on DEP to investigate and report back to the Council on a category change application fee.
Section V.G.: Public Outreach (pg. 1-46)	T&E Committee and M-NCPPC	Added a recommendation that DEP investigate other public outreach methods as used by such agencies as M-NCPPC and the Board of Appeals for use with and to expand the scope of outreach for the category change process.
<b>Chapter 2: GENERAL BACKGROUND</b>		
Note: No revisions from the County Executive's Recommended Draft		
* Page references refer to the approved Plan text.		

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<b>Chapter 3: WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS</b>		
II.F.2.c.iii.: Rate Structure (pg. 3-25)	WSSC	Corrected the number of steps in WSSC's billing rates to 16.
Figure 3-F7: Rockville Sanitary District and Water Distribution Systems (pg. 3-26)	Rockville DPW	Clarified Rockville – WSSC water systems interconnection sites on the figure.
Table 3-T14: Projected Water Supply Demands and Planned Capacity – City of Rockville	Rockville DPW	Removed Rockville Sanitary District population data
<b>Chapter 4: SEWERAGE SYSTEMS</b>		
Section II.C.1.b.ii.: Seneca Wastewater Treatment Plant (pg. 4-44)	DEP	Added a discussion of the temporary pump over of flows from the Lower Seneca Creek sewershed into the Muddy Branch sewerage system.
Section II.C.1.d.ii.: Rock Run WWTP Policy Issues (pg. 4-49)	T&E Committee	Added language addressing the disposition of the Rock Run WWTP site to the recommendation concerning the removal of the project from WSSC's CIP program budget.
Section IV.E.: Town of Poolesville – Treatment Facilities (pg. 4-)	Town of Poolesville	Corrected information concerning the conditions recommended by DEP and cited in MDE's permit for the upgrade and expansion of the Poolesville WWTP.
<b>Glossary and Appendices</b>		
Note: No revisions from the County Executive's Recommended Draft. Rockville DPW provided updates for Appendix A for the City's FY 2004 capital program. However, these updates were not used as the appendix presents information for FY 2003 for WSSC and Rockville. DEP will prepare text and map amendments incorporating changes for the FY 2005 budget cycle in Summer 2004.		
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